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HUDGENS REMINDS RESIDENTS TO INSURE VALENTINE'S DAY GIFTS

Atlanta –Insurance Commissioner Ralph T. Hudgens wants Georgians to remember to update their homeowner's insurance policies to include Valentine's Day presents.

"Diamond bracelets and even engagement rings are frequent gifts at Valentine's Day," says Hudgens, "and in the event of a fire, tornado, or flood, small items like these are often lost. It's best to update your homeowner's insurance now in case a storm or fire later in the year forces you to leave your home suddenly."

After a disaster or a break-in, it is often difficult to recall all of the items in the home which need to be replaced. For electronics and certain other items, brand names and model numbers are details people frequently forget. Hudgens says everyone with homeowner's insurance should keep a written list, as well as photographs and video documentation, of any valuables. This information, as well as policy numbers and an insurance agent's contact information, should be stored somewhere outside the home.

Anyone with questions about property insurance can contact Commissioner Hudgens' Consumer Services Division at 404-656-2070 or toll-free at 1-800-656-2298. Calls are taken from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, and information is always available online at www.oci.ga.gov.

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